

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Number : 10/030,452 Confirmation No.: 5707
Applicant : Masayuki YABUTA, et al.
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Title : METHODS FOR REDUCING THE FORMATION OF BY-
PRODUCTS IN THE PRODUCTION OF RECOMBINANT
POLYPEPTIDES
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Examiner: : Agnes Beata ROOKE
Docket No. : 58777.000008
Customer No. : **21967**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are responsive to the Non-Final Rejection dated September 18, 2007 ("Office Action"), in the above-captioned application.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully petition for a three (3) month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for responding to the Office Action. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the time for response be extended up to and including March 18, 2008. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$1,050.00 is attached to cover the three (3) month extension of time fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) to the undersigned's **Deposit Account No. 50-0206**. No additional fees are believed due with this response. However, in the event of any variance between the amount provided and the fees determined by the USPTO, to enter and consider this Response or to maintain the present application pending, please charge or credit any such variance to the undersigned's **Deposit Account No. 50-0206**.

This Reply and Amendment is provided in the following format:

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